

## FRENCH INDO-CHINA

it attract all Laotians **thither** and away from Bangkok, to of the Thai people. It remains to be seen whether till will be **successful**\*.

The even if they made little headway in conversions, great moral influence in Laos, especially among the peoples to whom they teach new methods of agriculture, in to their medical, educational, and Scriptural activities. These do not differentiate between spiritual and temporal authorities, often use the missionary as intermediary with the administration. These regions are so remote, and their economic and political **importance** so obviously relegated to the future, that the Mission has **not** there the anti-clerical opposition that existed for so in countries.

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In proportion, as the **Laotian** is the national group which has the economic importance in Indo-China, so it is the where the French find themselves most happy. Not that there are **not** of the evidenced in a centre like but in Laos the friction that seems inseparable from ail is at a **minimum**. The reaction to mutual contacts is the *m* in Cambodia, but more **intense** in degree. For the rare French-IB the a **silly**, kzy<sub>5</sub> and naive people, there are are by **their** gentle affability and their If and like the Laotian character, ire no to the they can inspire. But an offence to pride, or for sustained effort am part, defeat,

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